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1. PROJECT: 8808

2. ENCRYPTED COORDINATES: 561191/517240

3. BACKGROUND: USMC LTC William Richard (Rich) Higgins, while returning to the UNIFIL headquarters at Naqurah located 15 miles south of Tyre, was abducted by three assailants near Al Rasyan (aka: Ras Ain). Ras Ain is located about four miles south of Tyre. The coastal track where he was abducted is contested by the Iranian-backed "Hezbollah" and the Lebanese Amal forces in the area. Amal is conducting an ongoing widespread search.

SG1B 4. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION (EEI):



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